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For: **DIGITAL WATERMARKING APPARATUS AND ITS METHOD AND DIGITAL
WATERMARK REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND ITS METHOD**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Commissioner:

This is a full and complete response to the Office Action having a mailing date of May 1, 2006. The three-month shortened statutory period to respond to the Office Action was set to expire August 1, 2006. . In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments of Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Amendments begin on page 2 of this paper and include a listing of claims.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.